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THE OIL SITUATION.

In view of the fact that the public are daily being besieged with solicitations to invest their money in various oil company projects in Raleigh township, and in view of the attempts which have been made to abuse and transgress the rights of our farmers, it seems necessary—in the public interest—that an earnest effort should be made to make known the full facts and plain truth in connection with the operations in that township.

This The Planet has sought to do—and will continue to do. Loyalty to the public interests demands an unbiased record of facts—and a newspaper which is accorded as large a patronage and so liberal a confidence as it is The Planet's good fortune to enjoy, would be prostituting its high purpose were it—for monetary or other secret and personal interests—to undertake a campaign of either systematic boomer or continual knocking which was not fully justified by the facts.

In following out this course The Planet has evidently incurred the dislike and enmity of a contemporary, which has apparently leagued itself with the oil monopolists in an effort to fill the air with wild tales of big strikes, great gushers and enormous yields, for which there was no foundation in fact, and whose untruthful yarns this journal has found it necessary, in the public interests, to nail and label. This, of course, is unfortunate, but it was to be expected. The style of attack upon The Planet—in view of the fact that this journal gave the first news of the initial oil strike at the Gurd gusher over a week ahead of its contemporaries and has tableted all genuine oil news invariably in advance of all other papers—is very infantile and, we fear, merely the outbreak of uncontrollable jealousy. It may be passed over somewhat indulgently.

As a matter of fact, the oil situation in Raleigh is an exceedingly interesting one. The Gurd gusher, the initial well of the district, gave splendid promise and intermittently has donated very liberal yields. Enterprising promoters, both local and outside, have crowded in and well after well has been sunk. Some of these have given and are giving promise of oil in paying quantities; others have turned out to be dry holes and have been practically abandoned. The fact is, however, that, to the present, the Gurd well is the only one in the field from which petroleum has been shipped and the repeated scare-head reports, in the interests of the oil corporation monopolies, of new gushers struck, enormous yields given, etc., have been fabrications, purely and simply.

The Planet would like to see a productive and paying oil field developed in Kent county, in which our farmers, not the big oil companies, should reap the major share of the benefit. It would be a big thing for Chatham to have a mammoth refinery on its borders and benefit our business people to a wonderful extent. But this journal must decline to assist any project to secure contributions from the people by the publication of false and misleading reports, or even to stand silent and idle and permit this course to be carried on.

The Planet is in constant touch with the happenings at the local oil fields. If any successful strikes are made it will promptly give its readers the full facts and minutest details obtainable, but it will continue in the future, as it has done in the past, to firmly reject the wild and untruthful stories gotten up by interested parties and forwarded to this office in the hope of deluding and misleading the prospective investor and discriminating against the agricultural landholder.

The Planet's oil news service will

Every Exertion
a Task

There is failure of the strength to do and the power to endure; a feeling of weakness all over the body.

The vital functions are impaired, food does not nourish, and the whole system is run down.

A medicine that strengthens the stomach, perfects digestion, invigorates and tones is needed.

What Hood's Sarsaparilla did for John Y. Paterson, Whitby, Ont., it will do for you. He took it as a tonic and general builder of the system, and writes: "I have found no other remedy to compare with it as a restorer of vitality. It drives away that tired feeling, quiets the nerves, and brings sweet refreshing sleep."

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continue to be thoroughly authentic. If the oil field is all that has been said about it, it doesn't need "booming." It will boom itself by the facts which The Planet will always record.

A WARNING FOR BOBBY.

Bobby, the Bubbler, who modestly asserts in the columns of the News (erstwhile Banner-News, etc., et al) that he "has made an especial study of the oil situation in Raleigh," is doubtless a real smart lad. Bobby seems to be possessed of ambition, energy and impetuosity—all excellent qualities.

Bobby's imagination, too, is limitless, as limitless as his credulity; which may make it hard for Bobby to keep his ballast in this cold, cruel, matter-of-fact and unsympathetic world.

Bobby is filled with boyish pride in himself and his future. No one should blame him. He has a grand chance and Bobby must try and "make good."

To keep the lad out of hot water, some kindly disposed person should give him the talisman of a few words of friendly warning. Come hither, Bobby, while we whisper to you.

You are making your "especial study" among expert oil men. And, Bobby, they're liable to know just a little more about oil fields than even you. You may come in contact with conscienceless representatives of the octopus. They're apt to "see you first," Bobby. Sometimes they have not sentiment in their souls—are just ready to take advantage of youthful innocence and inexperience and tell you some big wild yarns that will set your pulse throbbing, your ambition soaring and your imagination working over-time. As a result, Bobby, you're liable to write something foolish—to gush about gushers that don't gush, to bubble about bubblers that don't bubble.

Then these heartless oil men will pat you on the back, Bobby, and, as they see your little bosom swelling and expanding, they will say fine things about youthful genius and brainy boys.

But keep your eye open, Bobby. Take a squint up their sleeves now and then. You're liable to locate a gentle, gurling laugh concealed up there.

Then have a care, because that laugh's at you, Bobby.

Get next, Bobby. Have the laugh coming yourself when the right time arrives. Don't be duped, or let your readers be duped, with the silly stories scheming chaps are seeking to fire your imagination with. Keep your ballast, Bobby—that counts most in the long run.

Be warned in time, Bobby. You wouldn't like to grow into a wizened old mankin whose only mission in life seemed to be dodging dyspepsia and writing horse-doctor recipes, would you, Bobby? You wouldn't like, by and bye, to be crowded to one side into the decrepit editorial chair of some musty day-before-yesterday, that changed its name every week or so, would you, Bobby?

Of course you wouldn't, Bobby! You've got bigger ideals.

Then stick to facts, Bobby—facts first, facts last, facts all the time. They count!

Life isn't all bubbles, Bobby.

Women the World's Enchantress.
To women especially the mere sound of "Peace" must always be dear and welcome, since it is the watchword of their social dominion, the password of their power, the master word of their interests and highest desires. And it is a curious fact to reflect upon that women, if they were so minded and resolute and united, could probably make universal peace sooner and more certainly than if all the powers had the millennium for their policy. Dr. Bushy said wisely and truly when he roared for wearing his hat before he King that in the schoolroom he was the greatest man in the realm, "because," quoth he, "I govern the boys, the boys govern their mothers and the mothers govern the men in authority."

If women were aware of their power, there is many a war which they could and would stop in some way or other. As for the methods to be employed, there is no need to enter upon these. It is enough that she who rocks the cradle rules the world, and the proverb says with truth that that which women wish the gods also wish.—Sir Edwin Arnold.

London's Fog.
A leading English chemist, Dr. Redwood, says that if oil were generally used for fuel in London the great institution known as the London fog would absolutely disappear. The doctor says that the fogs are caused by unburned carbon suspended in the air and originating from the thousands of factory chimneys belching out smoke. There is no carbon or ash from oil. The doctor points out that oil has been successfully burned as fuel on sea and land and urges its compulsory adoption by the manufacturers of the great metropolises.

The Price Never Changes.
Customer—I think you should begin to charge me half price, Shears, there's so little to cut now. Barber—Other way on, sir, I fancy. We ought to charge double. Look at the trouble I have to find it!

Punch.

The Better Way
With a Cold.

When a slight cold fastens on you in early winter you are apt to regard it merely as an annoyance—not a thing worth serious consideration.

You usually feel like taking something syrupy, with perhaps a touch of spirits in it, to warm you up and stop the cough. But there is a better way.

The cough, the red eyes and uncomfortable head are not the cold. They are only the symptoms. They are like the leaves of a weed sticking above ground. The surest way to get rid of them and prevent their sprouting again is to pull up the root.

You sometimes say, "This cold is all over me." Every cold you have is, to a certain degree, all over you. It is evidence of a slight general weakness. It usually steals in on you at a time when the body is a little below its normal tone and the surest way to get rid of it is to bring the whole system up to its right level.

You may need some medicine. Your doctor will know. But a mere expectorant will do nothing toward restoring the body to a healthy standard. At the best its action is merely local and gives only temporary relief. Scott's Emulsion does this and more.

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